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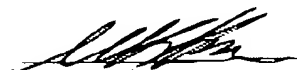
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Sir:

Attached to this facsimile communication cover sheet is a Response, faxed this
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Respectfully submitted,

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Responsive to the non-final Office Action mailed October 11, 2002 (hereinafter "Office Action"), Applicants respectfully request entry of the amendments and consideration of the remarks set forth herein. A response is initially due January 13, 2003, as the 11th fell on a Saturday. Accordingly, this Response is timely filed.

The following documents are also attached herewith:

- Transmittal letter; and
- Postcard.

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